

Got Snow? Got Shoes?

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Although you may not want to start thinking about the holidays just yet, they are quickly approaching. Most of us are fortunate enough to only have to ponder what gifts we will be giving our loved ones. There are others, however, who can't ponder gift ideas as they are consumed with the task of providing their children adequate protection from the winter elements.



For the past 40 years, KSL Quarters for Christmas has been helping Utah families in need get shoes and socks for their children. DHS has been a partner in this effort, assisting with the administrative tasks. Mary Wallace, Office of Fiscal Operations, and Stephen Hayes, Office of Administrative Hearings, help distribute, track and process payment for the shoe vouchers given to the children.

Last year, over 5,000 vouchers were issued and over \$140,000 was collected. This year, each voucher will be worth \$30 and can be applied toward the purchase of shoes and socks at Wal-Mart stores across the state. To learn more about Quarters for Christmas go to <http://www.ksl.com/index.php?nid=256&sid=2218390>